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In re Application of:)	RECEIVED
Kazushige Yonenaga, et al.)	MAR 0 9 2004
Application No. 09/496,974) Art Unit: 2665	Technology Center 2600
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For: Precoding Circuit And Precoding-Multiplexing Circuit For Realizing Very High Transmission Rate In Optical Fiber Communication))))	

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-identified applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action dated August 29, 2003, to expire February 29, 2003. A check in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for a three-month extension.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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